RESOLUTION NO. 126 7th Annual "Sista Strut" 3k Breast Cancer Walk

WHEREAS, on October 1, 2016, iHeartRadio presents the 7th Annual Sista Strut, a 3k walk hosted in downtown St. Louis to heighten awareness around breast cancer in women of color, to raise money to fund community resources available to breast cancer victims and survivors, to increase access to early screening and detection and to find a cure; and

WHEREAS, over the years Sista Strut has grown to become the largest walk in the nation that supports women of color, with over 8,000 participants registered to walk in 2016; each year, all funds raised support Sista Strut's partner nonprofits and research institutions, all committed to saving lives, and all located in and serving women in the City of St. Louis; and

WHEREAS, studies show that African American women are more likely to get breast cancer at a younger age and have a death rate from breast cancer twice that of Caucasian women of the same age; and

WHEREAS, breast cancer continues to be the most commonly diagnosed cancer among African American women nationwide, with an estimated 27,000 new cases projected to be diagnosed next year alone; and

WHEREAS, we recognize iHeartRadio for their continued leadership in this important cause throughout the year and show appreciation to the staff, volunteers, and participants who make the annual Sista Strut a success.

NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED by the Board of Aldermen of the City of St. Louis that we pause in our deliberations to recognize the 2016 Sista Strut 3k walk and honor the many accomplishments of iHeartRadio's Beth Davis and Kathy Brown and 100.3 The Beat & Hallelujah 1600's Veronica Haley for their many contributions to the greater St. Louis community. We further direct the Clerk of this Board to spread a copy of this Resolution across the minutes of these proceedings and to prepare a commemorative copy to the end that it may be presented to our honoree at a time and place deemed appropriate by the Sponsor.

Introduced on the 30th day of September, 2016, by:

The Honorable Marlene E. Davis, Alderwoman, 19th Ward The Honorable Lewis E. Reed, President, St. Louis Board of Aldermen

Adopted this the 30th day of September, 2016, as attested by:	
Timothy O'Connell	Lewis E. Reed
Clerk, Board of Aldermen	President, Board of Aldermen